

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Joel A. Drewes, et al.

Serial No.: 08/950,963

Filed: October 15, 1997

METHODS AND DEVICES FOR MASS For:

TRANSPORT ASSISTED OPTICAL

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 6, 2002 ("Paper No. 23"), please consider the following amendments and remarks.

#### IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims with the following claims. A marked-up version of these claims is attached hereto as Appendix A.

1. (Twice Amended) An optical assay device for the detection of an analyte of interest in a sample comprising:

a support containing channels;

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Transmitted herewith is:

Response to Office Action;

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Petition for 1 (ONE) Month Extension of Time; and

A Check in the Amount of \$110.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872 (Order No. <u>074022-3302</u>). Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872 (Order No. <u>074022-3302</u>).

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